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1 The U.S. Justice Department filed a civil rights lawsuit against Ferguson, Missouri, on Wednesday to enforce a police and court reform plan after the city said it wanted to amend some aspects of a consent decree it had reached with the federal agency. The Justice Department initiated a civil rights investigation into Ferguson's policing after an unarmed black teenager was killed by a white police officer in 2014. It resulted in a report that was extremely critical of Ferguson's police and court systems. REUTERS

SUICIDE BOMBS IN NIGERIA

2 More than 60 people were killed by a twin suicide bomb attack at a camp in northern Nigeria for people displaced by an insurgency of the jihadist Boko Haram group, a military and emergency official said on Wednesday. The attack took place some 50 miles outside the capital of Borno state, center of the seven-year insurgency, they said. It took place on Tuesday, but a breakdown in the telephone system had prevented the information being made public earlier. REUTERS

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7 Demolition continued at Mount Sinai Hospital in South Philadelphia on Wednesday.

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4 A southern New Jersey softball coach has been charged with sexual assault for allegedly having sex with one of his players. David Light, 33, faces four counts of second-degree sexual assault and fourth-degree criminal sexual contact, NBC reported. Authorities accuse Light of having had a sexual relationship with a 17-year-old girl in 2008 while he was her softball coach at Gloucester City High School.

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5 Hot dogs will hit the permanent menu at Burger King restaurants in the United States this month, in one of the chain's biggest menu updates in years. Burger King is going back to its fast-food roots with the new menu item after its salads and healthier offerings struggled to tempt diners. The burger chain had Twitter sizzling after its announcement, but at least some did not relish the idea. "Not that I ever go to BK anyway but wow that sounds like a precarious idea, eating that," wrote Brendan (@BrendanTweets). REUTERS

ZIKA VIRUS AT LEHIGH

6 A student at Lehigh University is one of the latest confirmed cases of the Zika virus, according to published reports. The school, which is located in Bethlehem, confirmed on Wednesday that one of its students, who had traveled abroad over the winter break, had tested positive for the virus, reported NBC 10. An email was sent out to parents telling them about the case. The student is recovering and doing well, according to NBC 10. ANGY ALTAMIRANO

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Philly politico on Prof. Sanders

New Hampshire Democratic primary winner Bernie Sanders taught two-time City Controller candidate Brett Mandel sociology in college. Who knew?

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The man who won the New Hampshire primary Tuesday night once taught sociology to longtime Philly activist and two-time Democratic City Controller candidate Brett Mandel.

That's right. In the spring of 1990, Mandel had Bernie Sanders as a sociology professor at Hamilton College in no place else than — ironically — Clinton, New York.

Mandel, who ran twice for city controller and has been active in city politics for nearly two decades, thought he was entitled to a few bragging rights after his former sociology professor from a quarter century ago won Tuesday's Democratic primary.

At the time, Sanders had just finished his fourth term as mayor of Burlington, Vermont, and decided to teach some classes while he explored a bid for Congress.

"I was a junior at the time. I graduated in 1991. He taught two classes — Sociology and Problems and Potentials of Urban Life," Mandel told Metro.

"There weren't too many urban kids," said Mandel, a former Center City kid. "So it was great to be talking about urban issues."

Mandel is also a committeeperson in his 8th Ward neighborhood, which is in Center City/Logan Circle.

He graduated magna cum laude as a public policy major from Hamilton College before receiving his master's degree in government administration from the Fels Institute of Government from the University of Pennsylvania. He's also authored two books on baseball, and calls himself the city's "Bulldog Budget" maker, having introduced plans to reduce the city's debt and claims to have shown areas where the city can save money.

"Sanders focused on the people," Mandel said of his college days.

"He was in a profession where he would pontificate. It was a lot more discussion and hands-on than it was rigorous textbook analysis."

One day Mandel visited Sanders in his office.

"I remember, he seemed like an old guy even then," he quipped.

Jokes aside, Mandel plans to stump for Sanders on the campaign trail, though he admits he never saw the success he's seeing now coming.

"I certainly didn't think it would catch fire like it has, and I certainly didn't expect him to raise the money necessary to mount a national campaign.

"Sanders focused on the people. He was in a profession where he would pontificate. It was a lot more discussion and hands-on than it was rigorous textbook analysis."
Mandel

Mandel is also reconnect with Sanders before he hit the presidential campaign trail.

"'Professor Sanders,' I greeted him. 'It's been a few years and a few more gray hairs for both of us, but you look great.'

"He gave me a close look, but showed no sign of any recognition. Sanders only taught two courses in 1990, but there was no reason to believe that my face would stand out 25 years later.

"'I hope I gave you a good grade,' he offered, as he moved to the next well-wisher.

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Philly breaks ground on LOVE Park redesign

Skateboarders immediately took advantage of the city's temporary lift of a LOVE Park boarding ban. CHARLES MOSTOLLER

Officials reopened it to skateboarders through Valentine's Day.

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One of the city's most beloved public spots will soon undergo a dramatic transformation.

Officials broke ground on the brand-new redesign of Philly's iconic LOVE Park on Wednesday morning, ushering in a new era of open-door accessibility.

Plans for the new park, slated for a spring 2017 completion, include a new vertical fountain surrounded by a reorganized granite layout, structural upgrades that make the groundwork more walkable, more green space and a new waterproof parking garage beneath the park, officials said.

The revamp includes the preserving of Robert Indiana's famous LOVE statue, with a total estimated price tag of $19.7 million.

A new restaurant and food truck vendors are also expected.

To celebrate the groundbreaking, the city will allow people to skateboard at the park through Valentine's Day.

"We're going to lift the ban on skateboarding here and allow folks to come back and experience this place one more time before it goes under construction," Mayor Jim Kenney said Wednesday.

Kenney called LOVE Park "one of the capitals in the world for skateboarding."

"I've never skateboarded. I would kill myself if I tried, but there's a certain culture that comes with this Robert Indiana statue, and this space," Kenney said. "We want people to come from around the country — around the world — for one more spin on your board here in Love Park."

Jesse Rendell, son of former Gov. Ed Rendell, has been a strong voice in the skateboarding, surfing and snowboarding community for many years. He helped spearhead the effort to allow a skateboarding element to return to LOVE Park, and attended Wednesday's press conference.

"It's incredibly hard for the layperson to understand, but it is the equivalent of one of the Seven Wonders of the World to skateboarders, so I'm really thrilled," Rendell said of LOVE Park.

Mary Margaret Jones is with Hargreaves Associates, one of the landscape architecture firms chosen by the city to remake the park.

She said there are many reasons for the fix being necessary, among them, the leaking parking garage below the bubbling, 40-foot-high fountain.

"We had to repair it so water would no longer be pouring in the parking garage. That's the main thing," she said.

"If you walk around, you'll notice how many pieces of granite rock and roll and are coming apart, and the park was beginning to fall apart. The underpinnings were in really bad shape.

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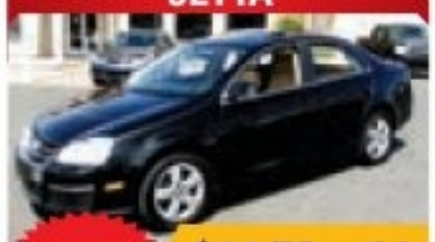

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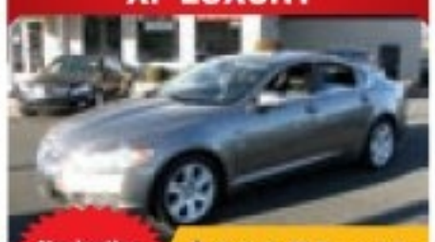

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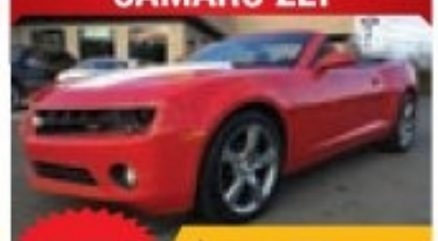

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Visit Philly glowing over Lonely Planet destination pick

Philly is apparently the No. 1 tourist destination in the U.S., according to Lonely Planet. Here's why.

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Lonely Planet, the largest travel guide for backpackers and adventurers in the world, has chosen the City of Brotherly Love as it's No. 1 tourist destination in the U.S.

They swore higher-ups at the visitor's center to secrecy and made them honor an embargo, but Meryl Levitz, CEO of Visit Philadelphia, said that they'd received word Tuesday of the good news.

"We're not lonely anymore are we?" she laughed.

"After the papal visit that attracted a million people, the coming of the DNC, the release of the 'Creed' movie, the designation as [Philly] being the first — and still — only U.S. World Heritage city, and on top of that, having attracted a record 39.7 million visitors the year before, and having been named by The New York Times No. 3 out of 52 places to go to in 2015, we're getting a little used to be the popular kid at the dance," she said.

But Levitz said Visit Philadelphia, which handles all advertising, branding and communications for Philadelphia tourism, is not resting on its laurels anytime soon.

"I'm very happy that Philly is getting the recognition that it deserves.

"As we say here, Philly is great for sightseeing, but also for 'sight doing' — for people who want to get involved. When you look at the Lonely Planet's rationale, we can see why that works here."

Natalie Nicolson, a spokeswoman for Lonely Planet, said the selection process for Best in the U.S. is based on which places are getting national attention at the moment, or, by contrast, overlooked and poised to shine.

"In addition to hosting the Democratic National Convention this year and celebrating the 40th anniversary of 'Rocky,' we wanted to draw attention to some of the up-and-coming aspects and great eats of neighborhoods like East Passyunk and Fishtown," Nicolson wrote in an email. "As well, of course, to the historical core that has always made Philly a household name in travel."

> *"Our editors and writers recognized that the city's been experiencing buzz lately, with the visit from the Pope and being named the U.S.'s first and only World Heritage city last year."*
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Gun owner saves cop from kids: report

A gun owner was showered with praise last week after being credited for saving an Upper Darby cop from a violent mob of teenagers, Philly.com reported.

Every weekday afternoon around 3 p.m., cops patrol the area around Upper Darby High School as thousands of kids are released from school. On Friday, the unnamed officer was attacked as he tried to break up a fight.

The spectacle drew a crowd of roughly 50 teens, Philly.com reported.

This was when a gun owner, who was not named, brandished his gun to break up the fight.

"He had the gun in his hand, but he didn't point it at the kids. He just told them to back off," Upper Darby Police Superintendent Michael Chitwood told Philly.com. "If this guy didn't come out and come to the aid of the officer, this officer would have had significant problems."

Chitwood credits the man, who has a concealed carry permit, with fending off the teens until help could arrive, thus saving the officer from further injury.

The two teens who attacked the officer were reportedly charged with aggravated assault on a police officer, riot, harassment and other charges.

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"If this guy didn't come out and come to the aid of the officer, this officer would have had significant problems."

Chitwood

State Senate vote fails to remove AG Kathleen Kane

Kane still could face removal through other legislative paths.

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A vote yesterday that could have removed Kathleen Kane from her position as Pennsylvania's attorney general did not meet the required majority.

A two-third majority was needed, according to PennLive.com, and that majority would have invoked "a clause in the state Constitution that was last used — unsuccessfully — in the 19th century."

The Senate voted 29-19, the AP reported, for the resolution that would have directed Gov. Tom Wolf to remove Kane because she has been practicing for several months without a law license.

Kathleen Kane CHARLES MOSTOLLER,

Last week, Kane, who is facing criminal charges over the leaking of grand jury material, lost a battle in court to reinstate her law license.

In a statement following the Senate vote, according to ABC, Kane said, "Today is a good day for all those who share my desire to restore confidence in our judges and prosecutors and integrity to our system of justice. Special prosecutor Gansler will press on, leaving no hate-filled email unread and no ex parte communication uncovered, in our effort to deliver to all Pennsylvanians the system of justice we deserve rather than the one we now have. I am happy to continue this effort, finish the mission I pledged to carry out and the job for which I was elected to serve."

But Wednesday's vote, doesn't mean Kane's job is safe.

After being re-referred to the rules committee, the Senate resolution would then go to Gov. Wolf, according to PennLive.

PennLive added that the governor, despite "wavering" would be "compelled" to sign off on the attorney general's removal. The House will also consider a resolution that could lead to possible impeachment.

"Today is a good day for all those who share my desire to restore confidence in our judges and prosecutors and integrity to our system of justice."

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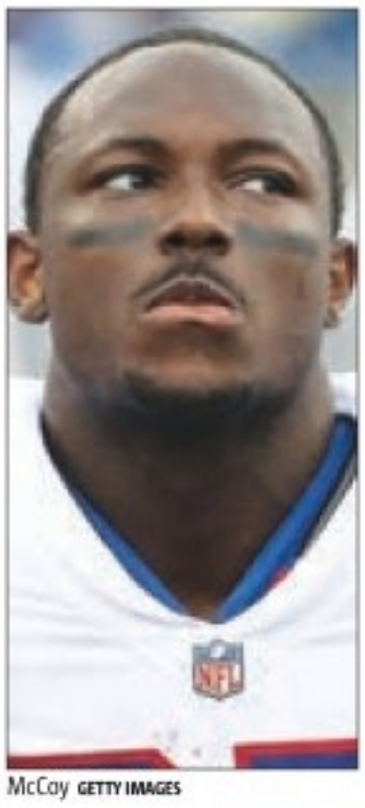
Arrest warrant for LeSean McCoy expected soon, will turn himself in if charged

Arrest warrants for LeSean McCoy and three other men following a violent incident involving two off-duty police officers earlier this week at a nightclub were expected by the end of the week.

According to ESPN, those warrants were expected to be issued late Wednesday night or some time Thursday, and if charged, McCoy would reportedly surrender himself to police.

As Metro reported earlier this week, McCoy and several other men are at the center of an investigation regarding two off-duty officers who were hospitalized following an assault outside the Recess nightclub in Old City.

The altercation reportedly came after a disagreement about a bottle of champagne.



McCoy GETTY IMAGES

Videos allegedly showing the incident have since been released by the media.

ABC Philly reported that investigators recommended McCoy be charged with aggravated assault.

The cops involved in the incident will not face charges, and that two of the three other men involved are believed to be a former NFL player and a former college football player with the University of Pittsburgh.

The officers will also face no internal disciplinary charges, according to ESPN.

The sports outlet added that a third officer, not listed in the incident report, has now filed a police report.

If charges are filed, a police source said this could indicate that the DA is attempting to bring another count.

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Republicans Christie, Fiorina dropping White House bids

Trump's remaining opponents, most of them mainstream Republicans, will likely benefit from their departures, which leave seven Republicans from a field that once had 17 candidates.

New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie and former business executive Carly Fiorina are ending their campaigns for the 2016 Republican nomination, narrowing the field of rivals facing businessman Donald Trump for the right to compete in the Nov. 8 presidential election.

A senior aide confirmed to Reuters on Wednesday that Christie would pull out, a day after the combative Republican's sixth-place finish in the New Hampshire primary raised doubts about his viability as a candidate.

Fiorina, a former Hewlett-Packard chief executive, said in a Facebook post on Wednesday she would suspend her campaign. The only woman in the Republican field placed seventh in New Hampshire.

Christie had poured much of his campaign's resources into New Hampshire and had considered a good showing there critical. He won only about 7 percent of votes on Tuesday, despite a pugnacious performance at a Republican debate last weekend.

Trump, a billionaire real estate mogul and former reality TV star, has dominated the Republican race and easily won the party primary in New Hampshire on Tuesday

New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie GETTY IMAGES

on a wave of voter anger at traditional U.S. politicians.

Sen. Bernie Sanders of Vermont, a democratic socialist, defeated former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton in the state's Democratic contest.

The results testified to the sizable share of American voters upset over the slow economic recovery, immigration and America's place in the world and who are willing to shake up Washington.

Trump's victory showed pundits were wrong to think he would quickly self-destruct based on his penchant for insults and imprecise plans for the presidency. He had lost last week to Sen. Ted Cruz of Texas in the first nominating contest, the Iowa caucuses.

The odds of Trump winning the White House, once seen as an extremely long shot, improved significantly after his victory in New Hampshire, online betting site Ladbrokes PLC said.

Trump is now at 9/2, compared with 7/1 last week, meaning his chances of victory in November are now 18 percent. Clinton still had the best odds of becoming president at 50/50, Ladbrokes said.

Trump's remaining rivals are still splintered.

Ohio's Republican governor, John Kasich, finished second in New Hampshire, followed by Cruz, former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush and Sen. Marco Rubio of Florida. REUTERS

BRIEF

A breakfast in Harlem underscores key challenge for White House hopeful Sanders

Bernie Sanders had breakfast with one of America's most prominent civil rights activists, Al Sharpton, just hours after trouncing Hillary Clinton in the New Hampshire Democratic presidential nominating contest.

The meeting marked a recognition by Sanders that his campaign must swiftly broaden its base of support if he has any chance of mounting a long-term challenge to Clinton, who consistently polls better among African-American voters.

They will play a crucial role in the Democratic race as it moves to South Carolina – where more than half of the Democratic primary voters in 2008 were African-American – and other states more diverse than New Hampshire or Iowa, which held the first contest of the 2016 election.

Sanders met Sharpton in the same Harlem restaurant where the activist met with Barack Obama during his 2008 presidential campaign – an obvious bit of symbolism for the Vermont senator trying to connect with minority voters.

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Former priest charged in 1960 rape, murder of Texas beauty queen

A former Catholic priest has been charged in a 55-year-old murder case in which he is suspected of beating and raping a beauty queen in south Texas shortly after taking her last confession, authorities said Wednesday.

John Feit, 83, was arrested Tuesday evening in Arizona in connection with the 1960 slaying of Irene Garza, 25, in McAllen, Texas, according to the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office in Arizona.

He is being held on $750,000 bond pending extradition to Texas. During an initial court appearance Wednesday, Feit told a Maricopa County judge he will fight the return to Texas.

"This whole thing makes no sense to me because the crime in question took place in 1960," Feit said, in a court video posted on the county website. "I'm totally puzzled why something is coming up now, after the fact." Garza, a former Miss South Texas and second-grade school teacher, was last seen giving confession during Holy Week at Sacred Heart Catholic Church on April 16, 1960, according to the Texas Rangers cold case website.

John Feit MARICOPA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Her body was found five days later in a nearby canal. An autopsy showed that Garza had been raped while comatose and died of suffocation.

Feit was long considered by authorities to be a suspect in the case but was not indicted. During a 2013 interview with CNN, he denied any involvement in Garza's death.

Shortly after Garza's body was found, Feit was ordered by his church superiors to leave McAllen, the Dallas Morning News reported.

He also had been implicated in the assault of another woman in the area a few weeks before Garza's disappearance. He pleaded no contest to aggravated assault and served no jail time.

Feit later left the priesthood and moved to Arizona, where he started a family. REUTERS

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BMW, Volkswagen, Daimler recall vehicles in US with Takata air bags

The three largest German automakers said they will recall 2.5 million vehicles in the United States equipped with Takata Corp. air bags, the latest moves in a long-running safety crisis involving the Japanese automotive supplier.

On Wednesday, Volkswagen said it would recall 850,000 vehicles and BMW said it would recall 840,000 vehicles. That followed Tuesday's announcement by Daimler AG that it was recalling 840,000 vehicles.

The vehicles to be recalled have Takata-made air bag inflators that the Japanese supplier declared defective last month, affecting 5.1 million vehicles in the United States. The recalls by the German automakers bring the announced vehicle recalls to the total outlined by Takata.

These recalls involve newer model-year vehicles than previous ones involving Takata. The BMW recalls include one 2015 model.

The recalls mark the latest expansion of a safety crisis over defective Takata air bags that began in 2009. Some 24 million U.S. vehicles involving about 28 million Takata air bag inflators have been recalled.

Earlier, Honda Motor Co. recalled 2.23 million U.S. vehicles in the most recent Takata expansion. Ford Motor Co. has recalled 361,000 Ranger pickup trucks and Mazda Motor Corp. nearly 20,000 B-Series trucks.

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Takata-made air bag GETTY IMAGES

Janet Yellen, chairwoman of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors, testifies during a House Financial Services Committee hearing on monetary policy and the state of the economy in Washington, D.C., on Wednesday. GETTY IMAGES

Yellen: Fed not likely to reverse course on rates despite risks

Chairwoman's comments are her first in public since the Fed raised rates in December.

Tightening financial conditions and uncertainty over China pose risks to the U.S. recovery, but chances are slim the Federal Reserve would need to reverse the rate tightening cycle it began in December, Fed Chair Janet Yellen told U.S. lawmakers.

Global risks have intensified and could slow the U.S. economy, but "I don't expect the [Federal Open Market Committee] is going to be soon in the situation where it is necessary to cut rates," Yellen said. "There is always a risk of a recession ... and global financial developments could produce a slowing in the economy."

But "I think we want to be careful not to jump to a premature conclusion about what is in store for the U.S. economy. I don't think it is going to be necessary to cut rates."

In prepared remarks to the House Committee on Financial Services, she acknowledged a series of global problems that have grown worse since then. Financial conditions overall have tightened, driven by falling stock prices, uncertainty over China and a global reassessment of credit risk that could throw the U.S. economy off track.

Some of those problems threaten to become self re-enforcing, with weak growth in major manufacturers like China and oversupply on commodity markets rattling the world's oil and mineral exporters. A broad sense of a world slowdown, in turn, and uncertainty about the depth of China's problems, could further tighten financial conditions for U.S. businesses and households. REUTERS

BRIEFS

Judge clears Kentucky clerk, OKs marriage licenses with her name removed

The federal judge who threw Kentucky county clerk Kim Davis into jail last year for refusing to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples said she had not interfered with the process since her release and that licenses with her name removed should still be valid.

U.S. District Court Judge David Bunning ruled late on Tuesday that Rowan County's Davis, who spent five days in jail last September for her stand on marriage licenses for gay couples, had not interfered with her deputies issuing the licenses.

When she returned to work, Davis removed her name, title and personal authorization from the licenses. REUTERS

FBI arrests race car driver in massive payday lending scheme

A professional race car driver was arrested by the FBI on Wednesday after U.S. regulators previously accused him of engaging in a massive scheme to deceive payday lending customers, a spokeswoman for the bureau said.

Scott Tucker, who competes on U.S. and European circuits and had been the target of an investigation by federal prosecutors in New York City, was arrested in Kansas City, Kansas, along with one of his lawyers, Timothy Muir.

Their arrests were confirmed by Kelly Langmesser, a spokeswoman for the FBI, and followed a probe related to payday lending entities that authorities said Tucker controlled, including AMG Services Inc. REUTERS

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Want to be happy, tolerant, young? UAE has a ministry for that

It sounds a bit New Age, but the United Arab Emirates has just appointed state ministers for happiness, tolerance and youth.

Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al-Maktoum, the UAE prime minister who is also the ruler of Dubai, announced the new lineup Wednesday via his official Twitter account.

It is apparently part of a move to show the government is offering more than simply providing basic services for its citizens.

"Happiness in our nation is not a wish ... but there will be plans, projects and programs and indicators ... and it will be part of the work of all our ministries ... and a part of our way of life," Sheikh Mohammed tweeted.

Sheikha Lubna al-Qassimi, the former development and international cooperation minister, was made state minister for tolerance.

Twenty-two year old, Western-educated Shama al-Mazroui was made state minister for youth affairs.

The United Arab Emirates, which has one of the highest levels of GDP per capita in the Arab world, is seen as a haven of stability in a region beset by turmoil and where public devotion to rulers is high and little dissent is tolerated.

Burj Al Arab hotel by the beach GETTY IMAGES

"The new lineup is a new stage whose headline is the future ... the youth ... happiness ... developing education ... and dealing with climate change to protect our environment."

Sheikh Mohammed

It is home to the glitzy emirate of Dubai, which transformed from a desert backwater to a global financial hub, where thousands of Arab expatriates flock to seek professional and entrepreneurial opportunities not available in as much supply in other unstable Arab countries.

Sheikh Mohammed had announced earlier this week plans to outsource most government tasks to the private sector and cuts to the number of ministries.

The announcement came as energy-rich Gulf Arab states have been hit by low oil prices, encouraging them to streamline institutions and attract more foreign investment.

The cabinet lineup left the same figures in the critical portfolios of finance, economy, energy, defense and foreign affairs. REUTERS

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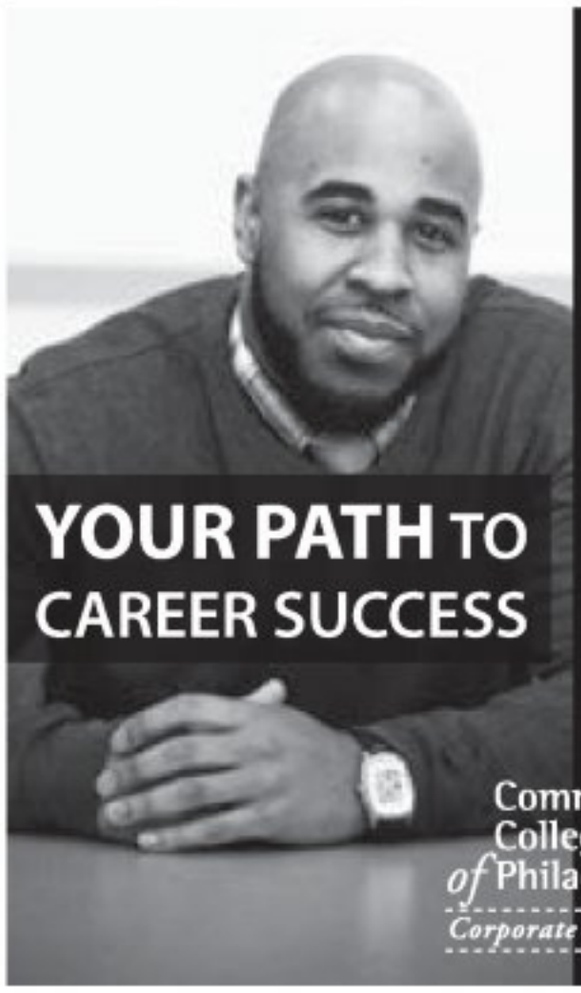

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Gwen Stefani's new track listings are curious

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Gwen Stefani was feeling a bit revealing this week, letting slip what appears to be the full 12-song lineup for her new solo album. And while the first single, "Used to Love You," which came out late last year, suggests a focus on the end of her marriage to Gavin Rossdale, the complete list isn't as bleak as you might expect. The fun part comes in guessing which tracks might be Rossdale-related and which might be about new at-work boyfriend Blake Shelton. Sure, there are more than a few titles in the dozen that suggest they won't be the happiest of numbers — "Misery," "Truth" and "Red Flag" are particular standouts — but a lot of the titles seem downright perky. It's possible that "You're My Favorite," "Make Me Like U," "Asking 4 It" and "Naughty" could actually turn out to be really sad, but I kind of doubt it. Of course, there's no release date yet for the album, so who knows how long it will be until we can actually put some of these into context.

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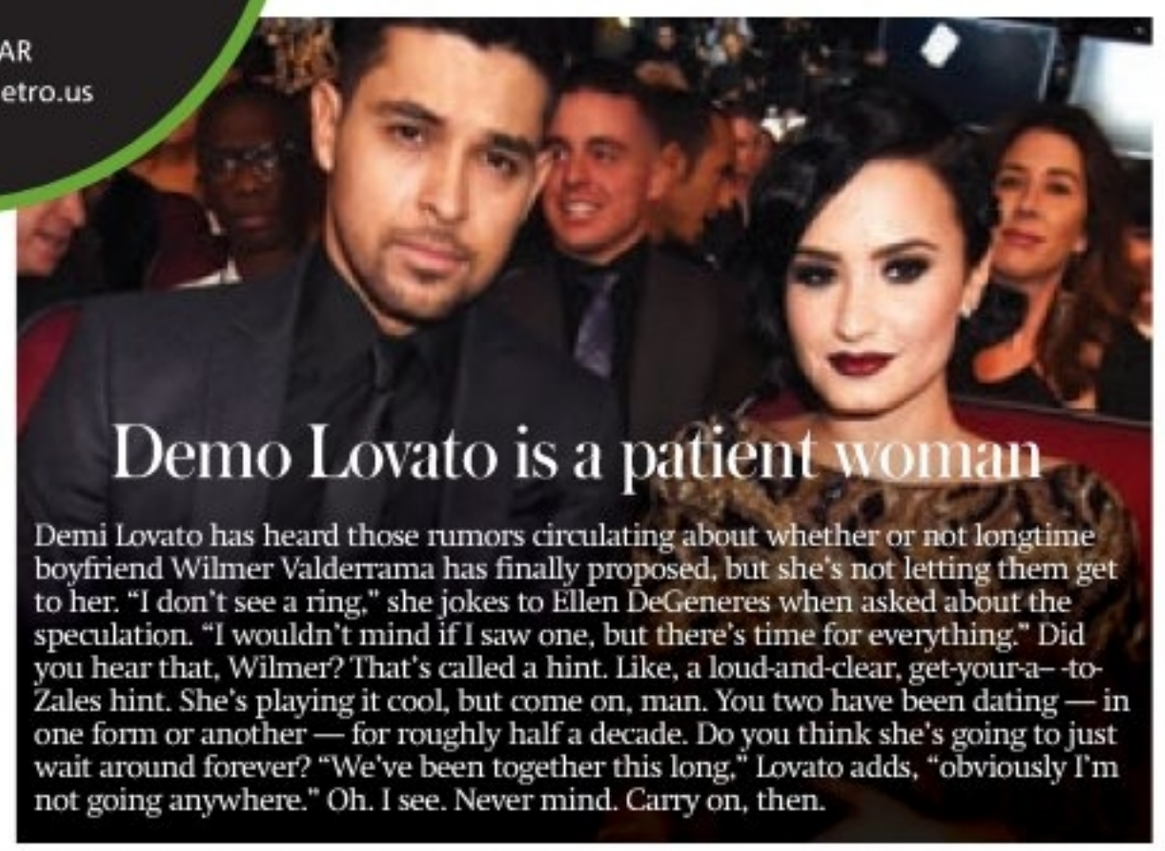
The Fresh Prince ain't mad at Aunt Viv

Will Smith isn't letting this Oscars boycott fuss go just yet — at least not until he makes sure everyone realizes he and Jada Pinkett Smith aren't merely miffed about him not being recognized for "Concussion" by the Academy. "It's so far not about me. It's not about us going to a show or not. For me, it's a much bigger social issue," Smith says in an interview with BBC Radio 1Xtra. "I'm recognizing a pattern of the narrowing of the imagery and the narrowing of tolerance in America. For the last 18 months that I've been watching the news and experiencing the things that are going on in my country, my concern is that Hollywood is reflecting a regressive trend."

Of course, he couldn't address the Oscars issue without turning to Janet Hubert, who played Aunt Viv on "The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air" and recently criticized Smith and his wife for the Oscars backlash. "I think she is brilliant," Smith offers. "As an artist, there's so many things that she does. She sings, she dances, she's like a really powerful artist, so I love what she brought to 'The Fresh Prince.'" Way to take the high road, buddy.



Demo Lovato is a patient woman

Demi Lovato has heard those rumors circulating about whether or not longtime boyfriend Wilmer Valderrama has finally proposed, but she's not letting them get to her. "I don't see a ring," she jokes to Ellen DeGeneres when asked about the speculation. "I wouldn't mind if I saw one, but there's time for everything." Did you hear that, Wilmer? That's called a hint. Like, a loud-and-clear, get-your-a– -to-Zales hint. She's playing it cool, but come on, man. You two have been dating — in one form or another — for roughly half a decade. Do you think she's going to just wait around forever? "We've been together this long," Lovato adds, "obviously I'm not going anywhere." Oh. I see. Never mind. Carry on, then.

Bill Gates
As a kid, I loved tinkering with computers. It's cool to see high-tech tools like 3-D printers in classrooms

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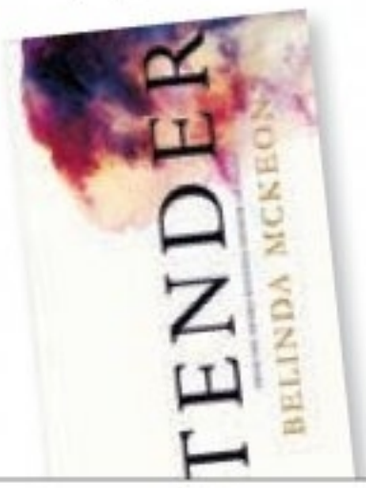
If you're single, chances are you don't have plans this weekend (sorry). While hitting the bars to meet some other unattached peeps is always an option, sometimes you just need to spend a night at home solo. Here, we roundup three new releases to keep you company this Feb. 14:



If you're into someone who keeps letting you down:

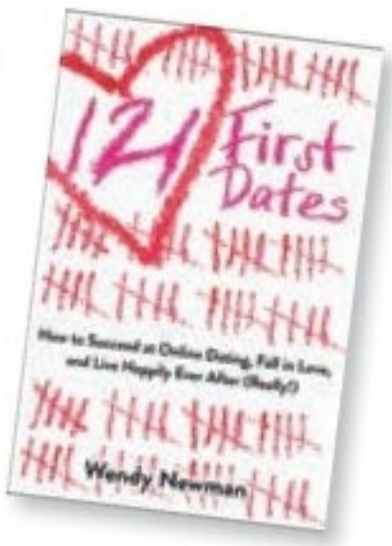
"Tender" by Belinda McKean

Get your mind off the loser who keeps disappointing you and dive into Belinda McKean's buzzy new novel, "Tender." Set in Dublin in the late '90s, it's about a timid college student named Catherine who meets an outgoing artist named James. James introduces Catherine to a lot of wild, new experiences. He's exciting, but not exactly a great boyfriend. Can you relate? See how this romance plays out. No spoilers here!

If you've gone on a million online dates but nothing has worked out:

"121 First Dates" by Wendy Newman

While there are plenty



of online dating tips in this book, what makes it especially fun to read are the crazy-but-true dating tales that sex and relationship expert Wendy Newman divulges along the way. You'll feel others' pain while improving your own dating life.

If you've ever thought about sending your crush a letter (YA pick):

"To All The Boys I've Loved Before" by Jenny Haan

It's one thing to stalk someone you like on Facebook. It's quite another to send him or her a letter. In "To All The Boys I've Loved Before" (now out in paperback), 16-year-old Lara writes a letter to the five boys she's loved, telling them all the things she's too afraid to say in person. They weren't actually meant to be sent out — it was just a form of therapy she was doing to get over them. But of course, they do get mailed off, and what happens next makes for a juicy read.

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Stacy London focuses on personal transformation on 'Love, Lust or Run'

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After more than a decade of hosting style shows, Stacy London makes a surprisingly revolutionary statement. "I just don't like the term 'makeover' or 'makeunder,'" she says. "I really feel like it's about transformation in perspective."

You may remember London from "What Not to Wear." She now hosts "Love, Lust or Run," currently in its third season on TLC. On the series, London helps women tone down their over-the-top style — without taking their spirit away. She doesn't necessarily force them to conform to conventional style; she just helps hone the message they convey through their clothes.

Season 3 of "Love, Lust or Run" airs Fridays at 10 p.m. on TLC. GETTY IMAGES

The key to personal style

When asked for a universal style tip, London says, "You have to be self-aware." Tying into this, she adds, "You can't be in the body you once were. You can't be in the bodwy you wish you were in the future. You have to be in the present body. That is the key to having great style."

Not sure where to start? "You've got to spend time with your body. That means spending a lot of time in front of a mirror naked," she says bluntly. "Sit in front of a mirror until all of that emotion burns away and you are able to look at yourself objectively and say, 'Alright, I get it. I have emotions about my body. I hate my ass. I love my boobs.'"

Then use those feelings to find a game plan. In this case, London suggests, "You want to consciously camouflage your tush and you want to highlight your boobs, 'cause they're great."

She never wants women to hide their body parts, explaining, "You're perfect. You are a unique set of atoms and that is nothing to be ashamed of. I want to take shame out of the equation and I want people to accept that they're not all going to look like Gisele [Bündchen].

"Tough break, maybe

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next time around you will," she jokes. "Frankly, Gisele isn't going to always look like Gisele. She's going to get old like the rest of us."

Why people tune in

Speaking to the power of style shows, she says, "When people relate to what they see, whether it's a woman being vulnerable or confessing she really doesn't know what she's doing, it spreads a message of hope. If transformation for them is possible, it's possible for anybody.

"That may mean a pair of new jeans or leaving a bad marriage," London says. "It's all symbolic. Clothes are just my way of getting into it."

What to expect this season

On this Friday's episode, viewers will meet one of London's favorite ladies from this season. Geraldine is an older woman working at Columbia University. "Wait until you get a load of her," London teases. "I have kept in touch with her ever since. She is truly the person you will meet on television."

Instead of taking the most extreme cases, they've focused on more extreme messages. "You'll see people that are still a little bit wack-a-doodle," she says. "There are also people I feel are more relatable.

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Get some javas with the stars

Local film critic Steven Rea collects rare, delightful photos in "Hollywood Cafe."

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Hedy Lamarr and James Stewart are seen in this production photo from 1941's "Come Live with Me." ALL PHOTOS SCHIFFER PUBLISHING

About a third of the way through Steven Rea's book "Hollywood Cafe: Coffee with the Stars," one happens upon a picture of Humphrey Bogart sitting in a chair, a cigarette in one hand, a tommy gun in the other. Above him lords Lauren Bacall, looking at him with disdain while idly holding a cup of coffee. It's not from one of their undying film classics; it's from a rare 1955 TV production of "The Petrified Forest."

"Few have ever seen it before," Rea tells us. "It hasn't been out there since the 1950s."

The "newness" of many of the images isn't the only thing that fuels "Hollywood Cafe." It's a collection of photos of stars, tied by one theme: coffee. Some are production stills shot on the set of Golden Age Hollywood films (plus a few modernish stragglers, like "Say Anything"). Others are staged publicity photos, creating a wholesome image of a period we now know to be even rowdier than today.

"There's something about these photographs — the glamor of them, the artificial candidness — that really appealed to me," Rea says. "It evokes an earlier, innocent time. They're artificial at the same time they're projecting something real."

"Hollywood Cafe" is a sister book to Rea's "Hollywood Rides a Bike: Cycling with the Stars," from 2012, which featured exactly that. (He has since kept that one going with his popular blog, Rides a Bike, which he still updates.) Rea, who has been a film critic at the Philadelphia Inquirer since 1992 (and is an avid city cyclist), began collecting photos of that specific — yet oddly plentiful — subject, using dealers and archives to access images that are catnip to TCM addicts, like himself. It was only natural to do the same thing for coffee, another one of Rea's obsessions.

Seeing obscure photos of people like Bette Davis, Rita Hayworth, Clark Gable and John Wayne sipping java isn't the book's only thrill. It's spotting plenty of names that may have been lost to history. One example is a striking image of Edward Nugent, star of "42nd Street," with former child star Joan Marsh dunking donuts into mugs. Readers may also learn names like silent star Marian Nixon, sometime bad guy Victor Francen and character actor Steve Cochran.

He says even he could be stumped. "I'm not going to pretend I knew every actor or every film that's in the book," he admits. He says he always tried to track down the movie whose still he wanted to include, in part to make sure what the actors were drinking was really coffee. "Of course, there's a W.C. Fields photo in there. Who knows what's in that mug."

Classic Hollywood films have always been popular, but the era seems to be particularly in the air right now, given the popular podcast "You Must Remember This" and the Coen brothers' "Hail, Caesar!"

"Turner Classics is always telling people their demographics skew much younger than you'd expect," Rea says. "A significant chunk of their audience is people in their 20s and 30s and 40s — not people of the generation of the films they show. Part of that is fashion and style — the glamor of it, and the sexiness and self-possession of the actors. That's something people look to now and find inspiring."

Dick Powell and Ellen Drew in "Christmas in July," on the cover of "Hollywood Cafe," now in stores.

Watching films from that era can be liberating given how different Hollywood is today versus the era of the studio system.

"There wasn't this target marketing that goes on now," Rea explains. "There weren't specific demographics the studios were going after. They had movies with Errol Flynn or Bette Davis, or there were 'women's melodramas' or World War II action movies. It was much more diverse in terms of what people went to see than today."

Ava Gardner and Robert Powell chill on the set of 1953's "Knights of the Round Table."

Desi Arnaz and Lucille Ball relax circa 1952.

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Anderson East spills the beans on his new LP

"I don't usually get that deep."

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We're not allowed to talk about Miranda Lambert during our phone conversation with musician Anderson East. The Athens, Alabama-bred musician isn't going to answer any questions about his personal life, thankyouverymuch. Though all we need to know is peppered throughout Lambert's Instagram account that documents their canoodling and confirmed relationship.

But that's OK. East is entitled to his privacy, and he has plenty more to talk about. The 27-year-old singer-songwriter just kicked off the "Devil in Me" tour, and has the first single off producer Dave Cobb's new powerhouse compilation, "Southern Family," due March 18, alongside the likes of Zac Brown, Jason Isbell, Chris Stapleton and yes, Ms. Lambert.

He calls us from Richmond, Virginia, where he's eating a cup of bean stew.

What's with the stew — is this how you stay healthy on the road?
I'm trying to pack on the nutrients. I don't let myself think about getting sick, but it's really just sleep and water and you're pretty good. Usually the Irish whiskey will kill all the bad, and a humidifier because it gets so dry and my Southern nostrils don't like it.

Your birth name is Michael Cameron Anderson, so what made you take on a stage name?
I think at the time I was tired of myself, to be honest with you. I needed some kind of mental construct to have a difference between me being the guy that pays the phone bill and me being the guy who wants to say something profound.

But what's the significance of East?
I wanted a fresh beginning, and the sun rises there, and everything in mythology begins in the east. There's where everything starts.

That's pretty deep.
I know. I don't usually get that deep.

How did you get involved with Cobb's "Southern Family"?
That was pretty natural. Dave had been wanting to do this record for a while, and me and him have been friends for a long time. It's a real honor for all of us [to be on the album] — me especially. There are a lot of people I look up to greatly on there, and I'm sure others feel that way, too.

The musicians on "Southern Family" all wrote their songs about their perspectives on growing up in the South, what does "Learning" mean to you?
That title is such a broad title because it means so much to people in so many different ways. For me, I just wanted to write a tune for my old man. I wanted to tell him thanks and that I appreciate him caring so much and being there for me and being so supportive. He was a hard ass when he needed to be, for sure, but it's more of a "Thank you" letter.

Were you with him when he heard it for the first time?
No, but everyone keeps asking whether or not he's heard it. I was kind of embarrassed, but I sent it to him the day before it came out, and was like, "I hope you like it, or whatever." He called back very tender afterward, so I assume he liked it.

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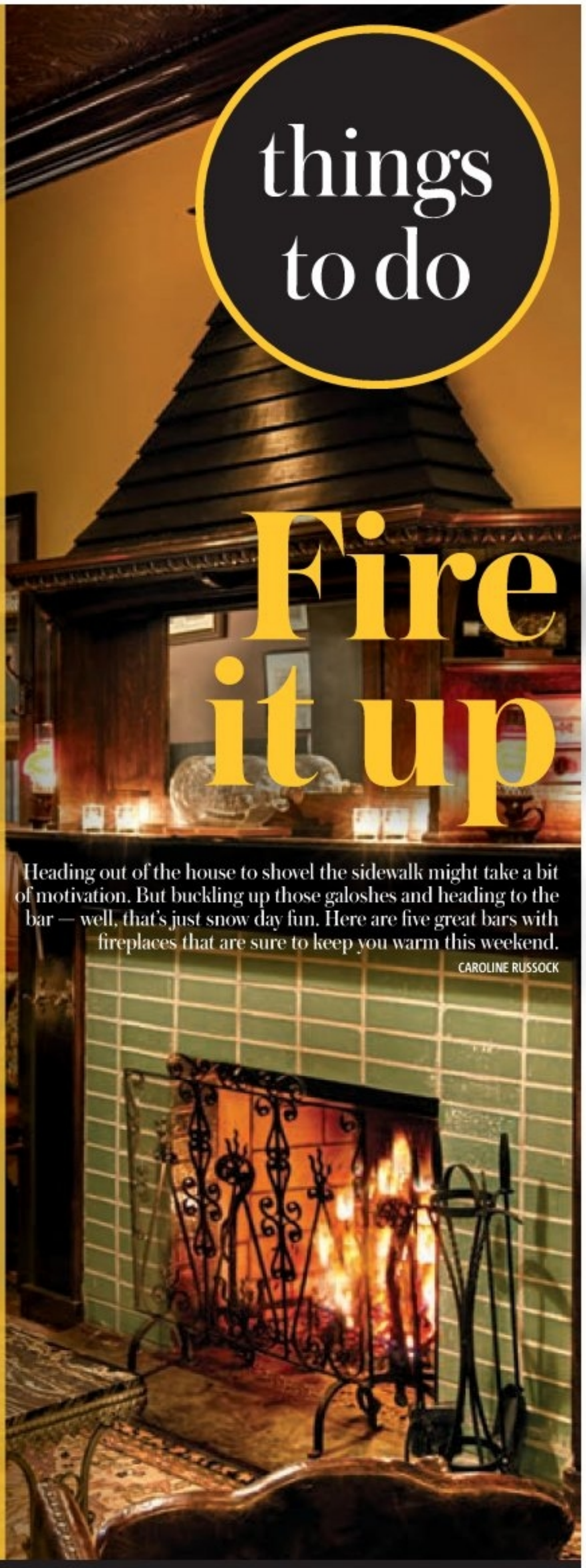

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Stephen Starr's picture-perfect take on a British pub is especially appealing when the weather turns gloomy. Head in for happy hour or, even better, afternoon tea by the fire. Choose from a selection of sweet and savory pastries and canapes, and pair them with a warm pot of fresh brewed tea, a glass of champagne or one of the Dandelion's boozy tea cocktails.

Blue Cross RiverRink Winterfest

This seasonal ice skating set up comes complete with s'mores-ready outdoor fire pits, as well as indoor fireplaces positioned in front of loads of cozy couches. Channeling snow day nostalgia, the Lodge is stocked with board games to ward off stir craziness, varieties of hot chocolate and a bar if you're in the market for a different sort of winter warmer. Feel the Zen of a Japanese rock garden without the risk of frostbite.

Stogie Joe's

This Passyunk Avenue pizzeria and pub does dual duty when it comes to seasonal dining. In the warmer months garage doors open to the street, but when the weather turns cold the proprietors stoke the fireplace in the cozy, wood-paneled corner dining room. Neighborhood-y vibes and cheap drinks keep the room warm and the square pizzas are some of the best in the city.

Standard Tap

The birthplace of the Philadelphia gastropub movement has an antique fireplace that's been going strong since the year 2000. Although you might be able to find craft beer and elevated bar fare all over the city nowadays, heading to this North 2nd Street institution feels like coming home, especially when you have a pint in hand and a place by the fire.

Hawthorne's Cafe

This go-to Bella Vista brunch spot has a decidedly homey feel, especially if you snag one of the overstuffed chairs positioned right in front of the crackling fireplace. To guarantee these prime seats, make sure to get there early. Start with an easy sipper like a draft of Tired Hands Saison Hands and a plate of garlic hot sauce wings for snacking.

Cozy up at Dandelion, Stephen Starr's take on a British pub.
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When word first spread about chef Michael Schulson taking over the space adjacent to his flagship, Sampan, we thought it was going to be a combination Japanese eatery and coffee shop. Not the most traditional combo, but certainly not unheard of. When Schulson and company opened Double Knot's doors last week, the finished product ended up being so much more than the original dual concept.

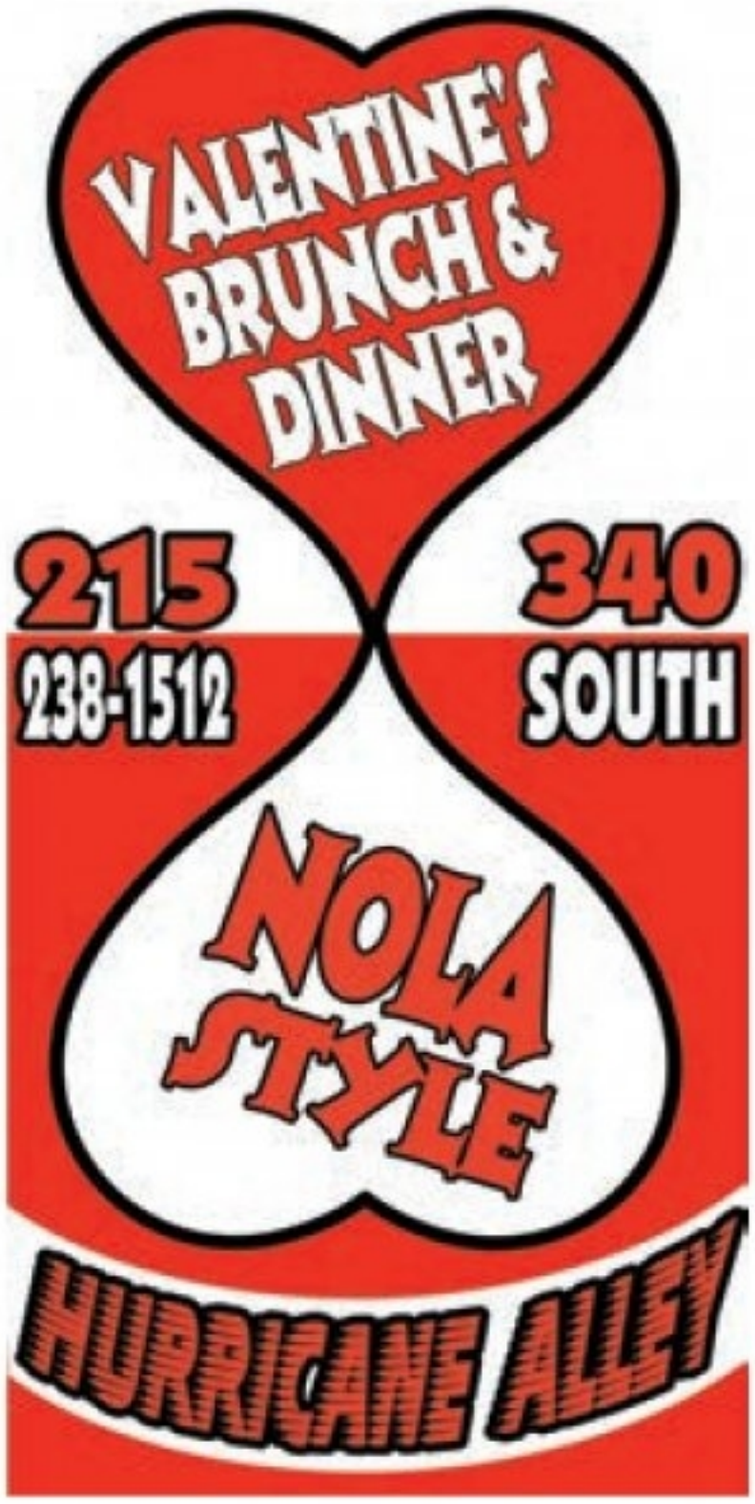
This multifaceted newcomer gets started early — 7 a.m. to be exact, with housemade pastries, espresso drinks and pour-overs. Come midmorning, an Asian-inspired fast-casual concept takes over, with customizable rice and noodle bowls, salads and banh mi, topped with a crisp mix of herbs and fresh and pickled vegetables.

Cocktails are available all day long with morning-friendly spiked espresso drinks and easy drinking daytime punches, plus a solid lineup of craft beers and wines.

When happy hour rolls around, Double Knot is hoping to draw an after-work crowd with pork buns, lettuce wraps, skewers of sate and a few sushi rolls, all under the $4 mark and accompanied by deeply discounted beer, wine and cocktails.

The staircase to the moodily lit downstairs dining room opens at 5 p.m., revealing the most fascinating part of Double Knot: a subterranean bar and restaurant specializing in a far reaching menu of izakaya fare. An open kitchen turns out fire-grilled robatayaki skewers, while a sushi bar serves up well-executed maki and handrolls, the kind of Japanese bites that pair especially well with beer and sake.

Finally, if you're not in the market for a full sit-down dining experience, after happy hour the upstairs dining and bar area offers a short and sweet menu of small plates and cocktails where diners can graze on plates of truffle-laced hamachi tartare and sip the Monkey's Fist, a bright and punchy combo of sake, coconut, chile and lime.



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Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band

Friday, 7:30 p.m.
Wells Fargo Center
3601 S. Broad St.
From $68
Wellsfargocenterphilly.com

Here's a way to really impress your valentine. Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band are hitting Philly this Friday, mercifully bridging the gap between those who want a Valentine's Day to remember and those who just want to party. If you can score a ticket to this show, consider yourself off the hook for Sunday.

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Thursday, 6 p.m.
Hotel Palomar
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This annual event makes the trip across the pond this year, taking inspiration from retro British glamour. Dress in your 60s best and play classic casino games, dine and drink with Square 1682 and bid on fabulous auction items. All proceeds benefit ActionAIDS, a Philly organization dedicated to helping prevent HIV/AIDS, as well as provide a community for those affected by the disease.

MUSIC

Rain: A Tribute to the Beatles

Thursday through Feb. 14
Merriam Theater
250 S Broad St.
From $30,
Kimmelcenter.org
As tribute bands go, Rain is one of the more hardline, true-to-the-original experiences, even changing clothes to correspond to the time period of each song. Featuring lights, graphics and real musical talent, this foursome plays Beatles favorites note for note, delivering what must be one of the most authentic Beatles experiences around.

Bebel Gilberto

Sunday, 8 p.m.
Perelman Theater
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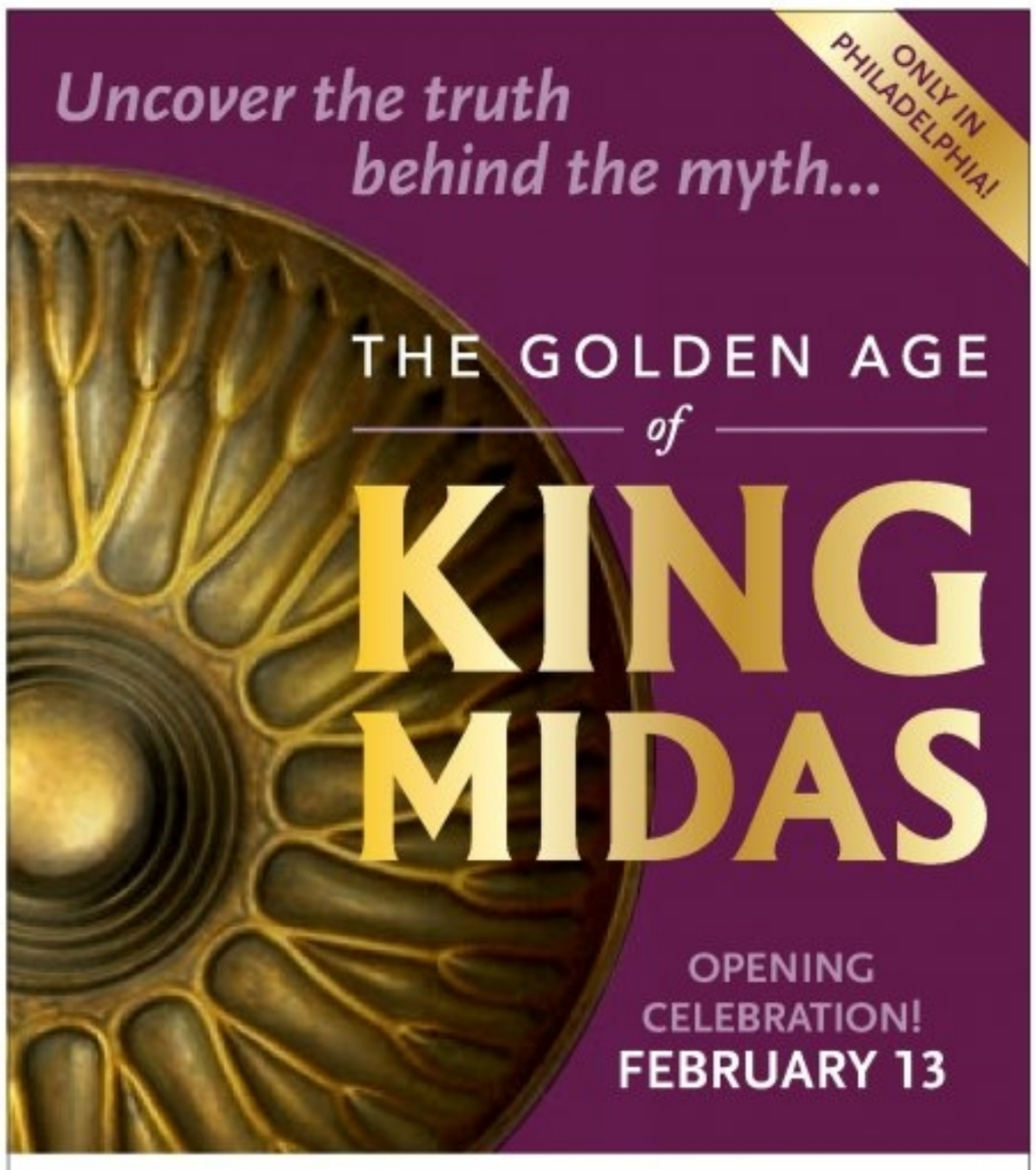

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ences, her music is an eclectic, modern take on bossa nova, including influences from the well-known Brazilian styles of samba and Tropicalia.

HOLIDAY CELEBATIONS

The Philadelphia Suns Lion Dance Parade

Sunday, 11 a.m.
Begins at 10th and Spring Streets
Free, Phillysuns.org
The Philadelphia Suns concludes its celebration of the Chinese New Year with a parade through Chinatown featuring costumes, firecrackers and dancing. A martial arts performance will take place at 12:30 p.m. at the corner of 10th and Arch Streets.

"Headed to the White House"

Friday through Nov. 13
The National Constitution Center
525 Arch St.
Free with admission
Constitutioncenter.org
The National Constitution Center debuts an exhibit on the 2016 election this President's Day Weekend. Visitors can begin by learning about the history of elections, the strategy of campaigning and the changing face of voting rights and finish by casting a ballot and taking the oath of office. This exhibit lasts right up until Election Day.

VALENTINE'S DAY

Art After 5: Tango Night

Friday, 5 p.m.
Philadelphia Museum of Art
2600 Benjamin Franklin Parkway
$20, Philamuseum.org
Begin the Valentine's Day weekend by throwing off your tired work shoes and slipping into something less comfortable. Dancers from the Philadelphia Argentine Tango School will perform the dance of love and give lessons to novices and experts alike, all to the sounds of the Rodolfo Zanetti Tango Quartet.

Wild at Heart

Sunday through Feb. 15
Philadelphia Zoo
3400 W. Girard Avenue
Free with admission
Philadelphiazoo.org
The Philadelphia Zoo presents a Valentine's Day-themed program, featuring a tour of the zoo's animal couples. Observe zookeepers giving treats to the animals, learn about the love lives and attraction rituals of some of the zoo's inhabitants and admire the animal-themed creations of an ice carver.

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"Oscar"

Thursday through Feb. 15
Academy of Music
240 S. Broad Street
From $19
Operaphila.org
Opera Philadelphia presents "Oscar," the story of playwright Oscar Wilde and his life of drama and tragedy. The opera follows the court proceedings of Wilde's trial convicting him of being homosexual in late 1800s London. On Saturday the Opera celebrates Philly's LGBT community with a pre-performance discussion and a $20 discount.

First Person Arts StorySlam: The Ex-Files

Sunday, 6:30 p.m.
Underground Arts
1200 Callowhill St.
From $11,
Firstpersonarts.org
Even for the happily coupled, sitting next to a red-bedecked twosome in a crowded restaurant as they share a dessert spoon is not most people's idea of a perfect Valentine's Day. First Person Arts invites the jilted and the jaded to share their stories of love gone wrong in a five-minute humorous monologue for the chance to win $100 and a place in the Grand Slam competition.

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Thursday through March 27
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Sunday through March 8
The Shops at Liberty Place
1625 Chestnut St.
Free, Phsonline.org
Winter is fading, and Philly is ready to celebrate. The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society brings back its pop-up beer gardens, usually reserved for the summertime, for a three-week stint. In conjunction with the Philadelphia Flower Show, the rotunda of The Shops at Liberty Place will feature greenery, comfy places to relax and happy hour brews.

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Designer Rebecca Minkoff attempts to evolve the Fashion Week model with her SS2016 collection. NATASHA JAHANGIR

Rethinking the runway

Fashion Week needs a makeover, designer Rebecca Minkoff leads the charge with her buy-now-wear-now collection. Oh, and consumers? Don't forget to RSVP.

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What happens when Fashion Week stops being fashionable?

If you're Rebecca Minkoff, you flip it on its head.

"We talk a lot about wanting to be pioneers and wanting to disrupt," says the 36-year-old designer, black leather moto draped across her shoulders with rebel insouciance. But most designers continue to maintain the status quo.

"Someone pointed out to us whenever we follow the old way, the way we should go, we never win," she says. "And the second this person said that, I was like, 'I'm not scared at all. F— it.'"

This season, Minkoff is ditching the traditional fashion-show system. Today, as New York Fashion Week kicks off, most designers will present their Fall 2016 collections, available to consumers in August. But in our age of social media, images of the clothes are instantly everywhere: blogs, Instagram, live-streams. By the time garments hit the sales floor six months later, customers are sick of them and onto the next thing.

Minkoff, instead, will show her Spring 2016 line, arriving in stores within 30 days. The see-now-buy-now plan better satisfies her plugged-in customer.

"It really gives the fashion show new meaning," she says. "If a blogger or a celebrity posts an image, it's now actionable and you can go buy those goods."

The game-changing decision, announced in December, is also a reaction to an industrywide complaint of fashion fatigue.

"So a year ago, Uri [Minkoff's brother and co-founder] was like, 'There's something wrong. No one is excited,'" recalls the designer. "And I could see the video screen during my show. People looked bored out of their minds. They were on their phones. They weren't even watching the show. They were just doing this." Minkoff picks up her phone and pretends to take pictures." And I was like, 'I just worked my ass off, and no one is paying attention.'"

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> Minkoff

So why not just engage the consumer directly? In another radical move, Minkoff will invite "top customers" of the brand to her shows.

The designer isn't the only one gearing up for change. Hours after her big news, the Council of Fashion Designers of America announced that it enlisted Boston Consulting Group to conduct a seven-week study "to define the future of fashion shows."

And other designers are breaking free. Tom Ford, Thakoon Panichgul and Matthew Williamson have all announced their own twists on the traditional show. The biggest brand to join the charge is British label Burberry, which announced last week it plans to show "seasonless" men's and women's collections together, twice a year. The collections will be available to customers directly after they hit the runway.

While others in the industry wait and watch this go-round, for Minkoff the timing is right.

"Trying to follow the old way and old guard — that whole system never worked for us," she says. "So now we can just free fall and not be worried about the landing."

Dunton Hot Springs offers antique miner's cottages like this one. COURTESY OF DUNTON HOT SPRINGS

The cabins at El Capitan Canyon have modern luxuries like spacious kitchenettes. COURTESY OF EL CAPITAN CANYON

The Lodge & Spa at Brush Creek Ranch is set on more than 30,000 acres. COURTESY OF THE LODGE & SPA AT BRUSH CREEK RANCH

Take in nature in one of Post Ranch Inn's glass-designed cottages. COURTESY OF POST RANCH INN

4 Luxurious log cabins across the US

Plan a rustic escape without totally disconnecting.

Fodor's Travel

There's something inherently cozy about a rustic log-cabin getaway, but if a back-to-the-basics vacation — no Wi-Fi! — sounds intimidating, consider a log-cabin hotel. They offer all the charm of a simple A-frame structure in the middle of nowhere, coupled with modern conveniences (hello, room service). Here's our look at some of the most luxurious log-cabin-inspired getaways in the U.S.

Dunton Hot Springs, Colorado

The antique miner's cottages at Dunton Hot Springs look historically accurate from the outside, but the interiors are anything but rustic. This entire resort is crafted from a restored 1800s ghost town. Some of the cabins have outdoor showers to make the most of the mountain views, and there are hot springs on site.
Insider tip: While most people don't associate Colorado with wine, Dunton has a sister property called Sutcliffe Vineyards about an hour-and-a-half away.

El Capitan Canyon, California

Known as a pioneer of "glamping," El Capitan Canyon is tucked among groves of oak and sycamore trees. The resort offers a mix of safari tents, upscale cedar cabins and adventure yurts. The interiors are decked out with all the comforts, including full bathrooms and kitchenettes.
Insider tip: Don't miss the trout sculptures on the property's Larry Callahan Bridge, which symbolize the fish ladders the hotel has helped build to allow safe passage of steelhead trout back to El Capitan Canyon Creek.

The Lodge & Spa at Brush Creek Ranch, Wyoming

This luxury dude ranch is spread over 30,000 acres, and guests of The Lodge & Spa at Brush Creek Ranch have plenty of choices when it comes to accommodation. The cabins range from new buildings to renovated historic ones, and interiors are rustic but luxurious, with sitting rooms and glass showers. Family-style feasts are served up in the Lodge Great Room, and activities include horseback riding, fly fishing and clay-pigeon shooting.
Insider tip: To reach the ranch, take the Snowy Range Scenic Byway, which crosses the Medicine Bow Mountains and offers views of the glacial-fed Lake Marie.

Post Ranch Inn, California

The Post Ranch Inn is located high above the Pacific Ocean, and the wood and glass design of the cottages is meant to blend in with the surrounding landscape. Some are even meant to be a modern riff on a traditional log cabin, such as the stand-alone Tree Houses, which are built on stilts 9 feet above the forest floor.
Insider tip: Nearby Pfeiffer Beach is known for its purple sand and natural arches, but head to the far north end of the beach, where heart-shaped rocks wash up on shore.

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Flyers feel sense of urgency, refuse to make excuses as struggles continue

The Flyers must make a move soon if they hope to get back into contention.

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Philly is back in action at home Thursday night at 7 on CSN against the Buffalo Sabres. GETTY IMAGES

The Flyers expect to win. They expect to make the playoffs and they can't stomach being called a bad team.

But their inconsistent play implies otherwise. In the midst of five games in eight days (and 15 in 28 days) they looked tired in a recent loss — 4-1 to the Ducks in what could be their ugliest setback of the year.

"We have to, as a group, make sure whether we're a little bit tired or in a tough stretch, regardless of all of that, there's pretty important points available," Flyers head coach Dave Hakstol said, "and we have to do a better job. I'm not pointing fingers at guys in the group, we just have to do a better job."

The swings from looking like a contending hockey team to looking like a team destined for a top draft pick have been pretty drastic this season.

And even though nearly two entire months of play remain, with six points to make up in the standings they need to work out their issues as soon as possible.

"I didn't like the way we played coming out of Christmas and we had one stretch in November," Hakstol said. "I don't think that has anything to do with the last couple of days. We played well here Saturday afternoon, we played a good road game in Washington. We laid it on the line, we played hard, we played well against a good hockey team. Today's game is the one we have to focus on turning around so I'm not making it any bigger than that."

The Flyers must do something to convince Ron Hextall and the front office that they should buy at the trade deadline. Otherwise, Mark Streit and other veteran contributors could find themselves on the way out. Being tired is not an option.

"You can say all the excuses you want. It comes down to us," Shayne Gostisbehere, who stretched his point streak to nine games with an assist Tuesday, said. "If we don't win games, we aren't going anywhere. We are not going to sit back and play the blame game. We got to look at ourselves in the mirror and just keep working."

The frustration and sense of urgency was palpable in the Flyers' locker room Tuesday night, as captain Claude Giroux made sure to take ownership of recent failings.

"You guys are just saying excuses right now," Giroux said to reporters. "You know, we gotta be better than that. We know we have a tough schedule, but every team has a tough schedule. So we need to find a way to get it done, and tonight we weren't playing our game. As a team we want to have an identity, and tonight that wasn't the case. We need to figure it out."

The Flyers host the Sabres on Thursday and the Devils on Saturday at the Wells Fargo Center.

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5 Reasons why the Eagles need to re-sign Sam Bradford

Think of it this way, if they re-sign him, they get a Heisman Trophy winner with their 2016 second-round pick. GETTY IMAGES

When you really think about it, it's a no-brainer — the Eagles and Bradford need each other.

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If you're an Eagles fan and have a Twitter account, you've probably seen someone say something about Sam Bradford.

Ranging anywhere from "there's no choice, he has to come back" to "he is garbage, don't waste a dime paying him," as the Internet rages on the Eagles have been completely mum about their plans at the quarterback spot.

Will Bradford be the team's stop-gap solution in an effort to contend for a playoff spot in 2016? Here are five reasons why the quarterback should return to Philadelphia.

1 He's the best available

The Eagles pick 13th overall and have no second-round pick. There will be no franchise quarterback available in that spot.

In free agency, the top names (ones like Kirk Cousins and Brock Osweiler) will likely remain with their current teams and the other names (like Chase Daniel, Kellen Clemens, Matt Cassel or even Ryan Fitzpatrick) are not any kind of upgrade.

Compared to the alternatives, Bradford is far and away the best available.

2 His strong finish

Over his last six starts after returning from injury last season, Bradford completed 175 of 256 passes for 1,959 yards and 10 touchdowns for a 99.1 rating. After a very average start to the year from a stats perspective, Bradford really turned it on as he learned the system and got comfortable on his twice surgically repaired knee. The trend suggests that Bradford will be more confident and steady in his age 28 season.

3 He knows the personnel

When Bradford was traded to Philadelphia from the Rams, he had to start from scratch, as a teammate, as a leader and as a quarterback. Early in 2015, there were a bevy of drops and obvious miscommunications, but as the season progressed these mistakes became less frequent.

"I've seen his execution fuel his confidence," wide receiver Jordan Matthews said back in December of Bradford. "He is getting more comfortable with everybody. … He's getting to know his personnel better. He knows his guys. With [tight end Zach] Ertz he is putting those balls high and away to put Ertz in a good position to make plays. He is giving Josh [Huff] room to run. He is really feeding our strengths."

4 He doesn't need to stay long term

The Eagles would be smart to give Bradford the franchise tag, keeping him for one year at around $20 million.

But if they are looking at the contract route, Howie Roseman is showing he knows his stuff with team-friendly deals to recent signees like Celek. The Eagles could conceivably ink Bradford to a back-loaded deal with guaranteed money up front, allowing them to, in theory, cut Bradford after two seasons or so without much financial burden.

5 He's the Eagles' 2nd-round pick

When Chip Kelly swapped Foles for Bradford, he also had to send a second-rounder to St. Louis. That's a high price to pay to simply rent a player for one season. If the Eagles wanted to keep Bradford around under Kelly, things shouldn't change much in that regard under Doug Pederson.

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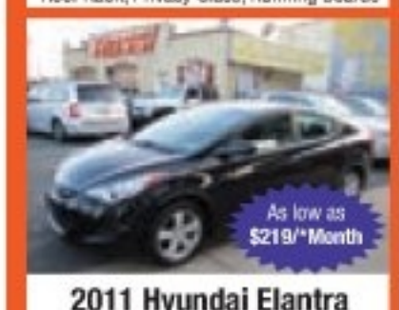
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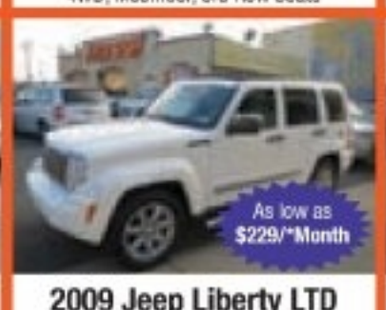
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Wide receivers like Allen Robinson are extremely valuable in dynasty leagues. GETTY IMAGES

Deep down, we all think we can do better than professional general managers. I never would have dumped $63 million on Byron Maxwell, taken JaMarcus Russell No. 1 overall or traded a 29-year-old Randy Moss to the Patriots.

Of course, I'll never get to be general manager, so I have to prove it in a fantasy world. The best place to do so is a dynasty league. This format mirrors real football in that owners have players forever and rosters are only supplemented through a yearly rookie draft or trades. We constantly have to balance between staying young enough for the future and winning now.

Some tips for succeeding in dynasty leagues:

Wide on wide receiver

Even before the NFL change skewed its rules toward the pass, wideouts were the kings of dynasty. Running backs have an extremely short shelf life, quarterback is the deepest position and tight ends typically don't score enough raw points. If we land an elite wide receiver early in his career, we can have a stud for a decade. That's why young, big, gifted wideouts such as Allen Robinson, Mike Evans, Sammy Watkins, Amari Cooper, Martavis Bryant and Dorial Green-Beckham are far more valuable in dynasty than standard 2016 leagues.

Talent over opportunity

Real-life general managers often make personnel decisions based on need. That's a surefire way to run into problems down the road. Dynasty players have to take a similar long-view, understanding that having good players is more important than how many fantasy points they can get us in the short term. An example from last year was Ronnie Hillman, who was producing at a solid level but is not a difference-making talent. Resisting the urge to give up a struggling but high-ceiling asset like Melvin Gordon for a guy like Hillman is crucial.

Changing environments

Standard fantasy leaguers can significantly downgrade or even ignore players in bad situations such as Cleveland, St. Louis, Tennessee or San Francisco. Dynasty leaguers should not. Demaryius Thomas went from a Tim Tebow plodding offense to one of the best offenses ever under Peyton Manning. Rex Ryan left the Jets and allowed the pass game to spread its wings.

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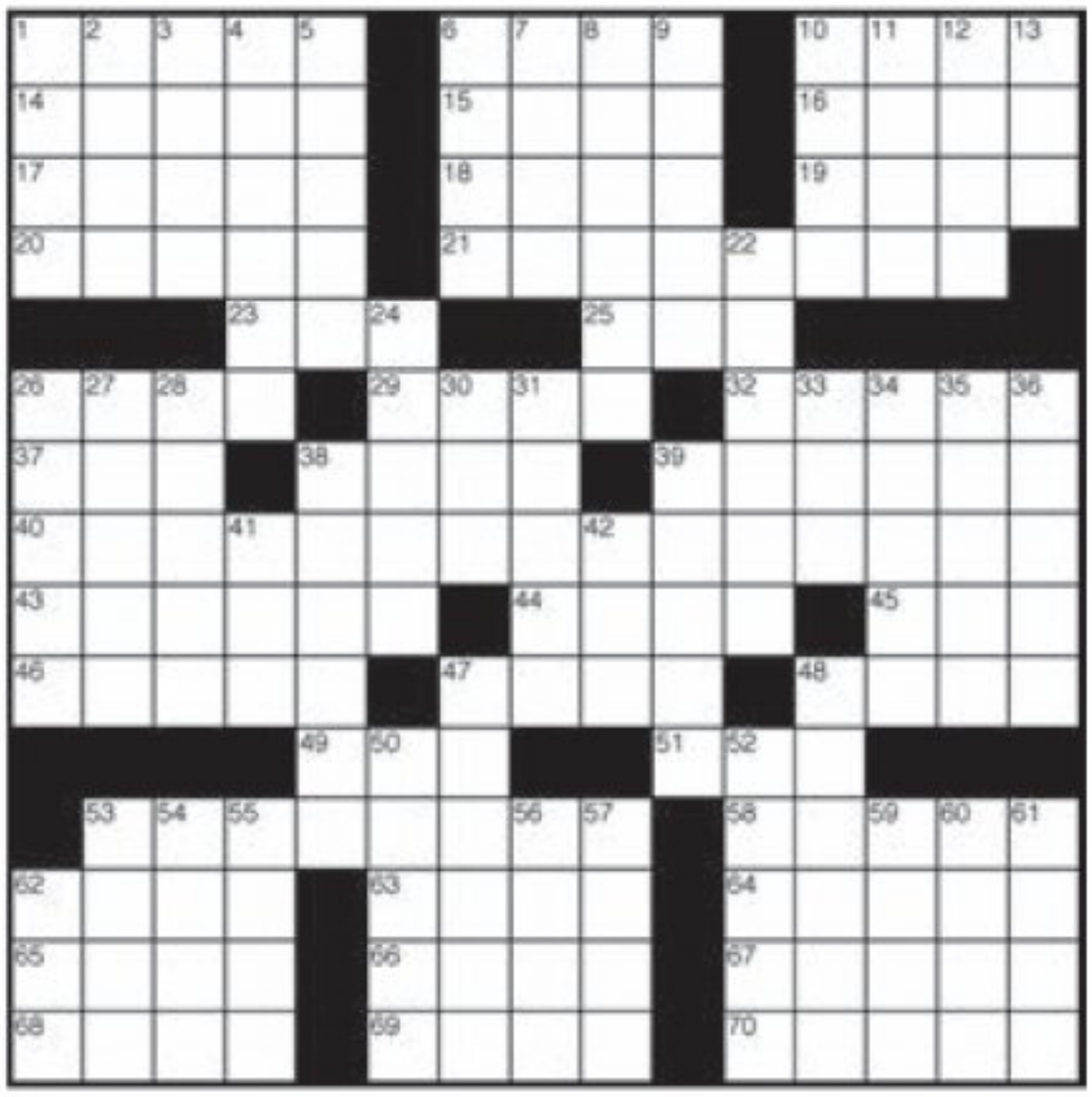

Across

1 "Where's — ?"
6 Hot tub features
10 Go radioactive
14 Pen name
15 Coalition
16 Lucy Lawless role
17 — globulin
18 — Romeo
19 Ms. Sommer
20 Kind of preview
21 Mirrors
23 Stockholm carrier
25 Actress – Williams
26 Friar of legend
29 Clean the counter
32 Ran its course
37 "Sort of" suffix
38 Trig function
39 Miner's trough
40 Shrugs off (3 wds.)
43 Quays
44 Ancient ointment
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46 Perpendicular
47 Bronte's Jane —
48 Centurion's route
49 Grey Cup org.
51 Smite a knight
53 Fairy ring component
58 FYI notes
62 Gloom
63 Mayberry kid
64 She took the veil
65 All, in combos
66 Cellphone button
67 Fluffy quilt
68 Part of PGA
69 Reproving clucks
70 Lift up

Down

1 Shakes a finger
2 Alda of "M*A*S*H"
3 Key — pie
4 Table linen, often
5 Port near Kyoto
6 Hook-shaped ski tow
7 "Vogue" rival
8 Chewy candy
9 Hot coffee hazard
10 Business VIP
11 Defrost
12 Writing fluids
13 – kwon do
22 Place for shadow
24 Zurich resident
26 Championship
27 Seat formally
28 Baked-potato garnish
30 Rustic lodging
31 Many-petaled blossom
33 Sister
34 Can you — —?
35 Mademoiselle's school
36 Postpone
38 Artist's rendering
39 Fragment
41 Toshiba rival
42 Deckhand
47 Weds on the run
48 Two-nation peninsula
50 Cold snap
52 Earth pigment
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55 Surface layer
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59 Knee concealer
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easy

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Aries Observation will help you recognize what will work. Be fastidious in the way you approach your job in order to avoid the wrath of someone waiting for you to screw up.

Taurus What you do out of kindness and respect will result in all sorts of rewards. Your actions will make others take notice and put you in the running for a special position.

Gemini Don't jump in to something too quickly. What sounds feasible will turn out to be a fiasco. Bide your time and consider the practicality of whatever you want to pursue.

Cancer Surprise everyone by making an unusual change to the way you look or live. It's time to shake things up a bit and to do things the way you want to do them.

Leo You'll feel anxious if you give in to someone you disagree with. Don't be afraid to say no or walk away from an argument that is impossible to win.

Virgo Avoid bullies and fast talkers. Explore your ideas and invest in the possibilities that make you the most excited. Be true to yourself and spend time with like-minded people.

Libra Trust in your abilities and make the changes that will bring you a high return. Back away from situations that are limiting. Don't be afraid to make a move.

Scorpio Speak up, share your ideas and concerns, and make things happen. You can make a difference if you put your plans in motion. Love freely and unconditionally.

Sagittarius Stop before you go too far. There will be a fine line between too little and too much. Moderation in all your dealings will be the key to success.

Capricorn Your instincts will lead you to something that will change your life. An open mind will encourage others to share their aspirations. You can make a difference.

Aquarius Stick to your game plan. Giving in to temptation will not end well. Strive to reach the personal and professional goals that will help you excel.

Pisces You will get ahead, make financial gains and find your niche if you are diligent in your pursuit of happiness and satisfaction. Romance will ease stress. EUGENIA LAST

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